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EDITOR'S COMMENT



A warm welcome to everyone visiting Glevum Park this evening, as we host Mangotsfield United in the UHlsport Hellenic League, Premier Division. As I always say, I sincerely hope their players, supporters and officials enjoy their visit to our home but they are gracious enough to leave the three points here with us!

It has been a tough season, so far, something which our visitors will understand, given their relegation to this level just under 12 months ago. This season they looked to be in for another disappointing campaign, as they started the season near the foot of the table but like last Friday evening's visitors, Thornbury Town, they have managed to string together a series of results that have lifted them up into a position of relative safety.

To avoid struggle you need your share of good fortune. They say luck evens itself out, but I'm not so sure! In our last eight competitive fixtures we have seen four fairly strong penalty appeals waved away; yet have had three given against us, two of which were arguably for fairly debatable incidents. The one given against us on Friday left many in the ground scratching their heads, whilst a handball in the Thornbury area went unpunished. I don't criticise the officials – they have a very difficult job – but when your luck is out these things tend to go against you and this season feels like one of those where we definitely aren't getting our share of the luck.

You need more than luck, though, and at times we haven't been resilient enough. At Mangotsfield earlier this season we did well in the first period, leading 1-0, but as soon as we conceded early in the second half, heads went down and we capitulated to a 4-2 defeat. In the last few weeks the players seem to have found a way to grind out results and stay in games, whilst also playing reasonably well, and that is long overdue...and long may it continue! I still believe we can get ourselves away from the relegation places but we need to work hard between now and the end of this season if we are to achieve our goal. I know Muzzy is putting everything into this and many others are too.

Whatever the score tonight, the season doesn't end here and we will keep doing our best, made all the better by a positive crowd backing the team. Thank you to all our supporters for backing the team.

Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to read this. I hope everyone enjoys the game. Safe travels home.

- Neil

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CHAIRMAN'S COMMENT



Good evening and welcome to Glevum Park.

A warm welcome to our opponents Mangotsfield United and all their players, management, committee and supporters.

I felt that our game against Thornbury Town on Friday night was a good one for any 'neutral' in attendance, with the final result, a 2-2 draw, courtesy of a late goal for us, with Henry Birkett levelling on 85 minutes.

Our visitors on that night, Thornbury, are on a good run of form themselves, especially their incredible shock result against title chasing Malvern Town the week before.

We have seen our form improve recently, too, with Muzzy and the squad now on a four game run without defeat. We now really do need to start picking up more three point returns, to help close the gap on the teams above us.

I'm hoping that tonight will bring us a much needed three points and we can start building towards league survival.

I hope everyone enjoys the game and hospitality here tonight and I wish you all a safe trip home.

Many thanks,

Dan

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MANAGER'S COMMENT



Good evening and welcome to all players officials and supporters of Mangotsfield United visiting Glevum Park.

After a well-deserved draw on Friday night, it initially felt like two points dropped but, on reflection, Thornbury Town were one of the form teams in the league and with the results generally going our way on Saturday, it's turned into a valuable point gained.

I'm pleased with our recent form and we have now gone four games undefeated; scoring seven and keeping two clean sheets, which is a really positive improvement.

Tonight's game will be a tough encounter, with Mangotsfield having a good recent run and pulling themselves up the league, to a position of safety.

Hopefully, we can extend our run and get maximum points, which will make the league look very different – and very much better - going into the weekend.

Thank you for your continued support. I hope you enjoy the game.

Muzzy

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Tuffley Rovers • Club History

The late Donald E Hall founded Tuffley Rovers FC in 1929. The Club's Headquarters were in a former railway carriage, which served as Mr Hall's Boot and Shoe repair shop on the Stroud Road at Tuffley in the City Of Gloucester. The Club started its playing life in the North Gloucestershire League. Senior XI Championship honours include that of the North Gloucestershire League and Stroud and District League (4 times) and in 1987/1988 the Club were Champions of the Gloucestershire Northern Senior League and gained promotion to the Gloucestershire County League.



After two seasons of consolidation the Club won the County League Title in 1990/1991, their application to join the Hellenic League was successful and they were accepted into Hellenic Division One. Progress continued as in the 1992/1993 season Rovers were Champions of Division One and also Division One League Cup Winners and after promotion competed in the Premier Division of the Hellenic League from 1993/1994, regularly finishing in the top half of the table. The 1998/1999 season saw Tuffley win the Norman Matthew's Floodlit Cup defeating Carterton Town in the final. Whilst the Club enjoyed this success, the 2nd XI and 3rd XI also gained promotion and championship honours. The 1998/1999 season saw the 2nd XI win the Northern Senior League and reach the finals of both the County Cup and League Cup, unfortunately losing out on both occasions. Promotion, however, was not possible as reserve teams were not allowed at that point to enter the Gloucestershire County League and progress further up the pyramid system.

The Club continued to thrive in the Hellenic League and managed to win the Floodlit Cup again in the 2002/2003 season defeating Brackley Town over two legs in the final. However, the ever-changing ground grading requirements, if the club was to remain in the Hellenic League, and the financial strain these improvements imposed on the Club forced Tuffley Rovers to make the decision to withdraw from the Hellenic League in 2005 and settle for local football in Gloucestershire.

After a difficult start Rovers were crowned champions of Division 2 of the Northern Senior League in the 2005/2006 season and were promoted to Division 1. After a slow start the team put together a consistent run and managed to claim the Division 1 Title as well as win the GFA Senior Amateur Cup and reach the final of the Reg Davis Memorial League Cup.

A return to the Gloucestershire County League followed and the club finished a very creditable 4th place (2007/8) but the summer of 2008 saw a number of senior players retire. Over the next few seasons, an evolving squad finished 11th, 3rd, 6th and 3rd in the County League, before the 2012/13 Season marked an improvement for the club. After challenging for league championship honours all season, the club couldn't quite maintain the form to secure the title, finishing second. However, this was enough to gain promotion to the Hellenic League Division One (West) for the 2013/14 season.

On their return to the Hellenic League, The Rovers saw a season that witnessed some turmoil – including the departure of manager, Doug Foxwell – to record a decent sixth place finish and some good cup results. This was followed up with the Runners'-up spot in 2014/15 and promotion back to the Hellenic Premier Division, exactly ten years after they had withdrawn from the League.

The first season saw a struggle against relegation, ultimately resulting in the resignation of Warren Evans as manager, before the club retained their status due to a vacancy in the league, after finishing 17th. Mark Pritchett was then appointed as Player/Manager and took the side to consecutive 10th placed finishes, before a 15th place finish in 2018/19.

Two pandemic affected seasons then passed, with Pritchett leaving the club part-way through. Rich Cox took over as Manager for a single season, but resigned midway through 2021/22 after a disastrous run of results. Former Manchester United player Neil Mustoe then took over, steering the club away from danger (finishing in 17th place).

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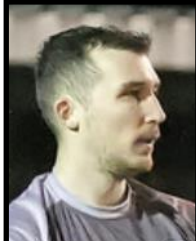


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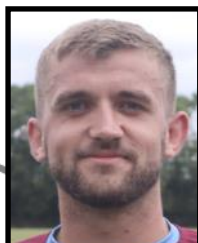


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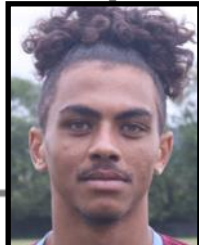


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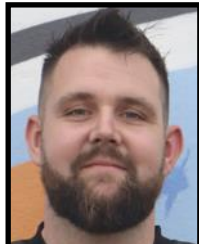
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MANGOTSFIELD UTD – A BRIEF HISTORY

The 2022/23 season will be Mangotsfield's first season playing at step 5 following 22 seasons as a Southern League club, which includes the voided 2019/20 and 20/21 seasons. After thirteen seasons in the "Pitchin In" Southern Football League Division One South previously finishing 9th in 2009/10, 3rd in 2010/11, (but losing the play-off semi-final, 1-3 to Frome Town), 14th in 2011/12, 13th in 2012/13, 11th in 2013/14, 10th in 2014/15, 14th in 2015/16, 8th in 2016/17, & 16th in both 2017/18 and 2018/19, following the 2 year "Covid gap" Mangotsfield finished 18th (out of 19 teams) in 2021/22 and were automatically relegated into the Hellenic League Premier Division.



There has been football in the village since 1888 and four years later, Mangotsfield FC became a founder member of the Bristol & District League (later to become the Western Football League in 1895) but the club folded after 10 years. From 1898 until the 1950s, Mangotsfield FC was disbanded and subsequently reformed on several occasions. In January 1951, the parent club dispensed with the Reserve X1 for financial reasons leaving many local players without a team to play for. These players decided to form a new club in the village and at the start of the 1951-52 season, the newly-established Mangotsfield United FC was entered into the Bristol & District League, Division VII. They achieved five successive promotions and gained entry to the Bristol & District Premier Combination in 1957. The club remained there until 1972-73, when it was accepted in to the Western League.

The Club became established in the Western League during the 1970's and despite being relegated to the first division in 1981-82, "The Field", as they were affectionately known, bounced straight back the following season and under the guidance of the charismatic Ralph Miller, who as Chairman, undertook the task of improving the ground and its facilities, became a force in the Premier, mainly featuring in the leading positions.

In 1991, the club, managed by Harold Jarman and assisted by Terry Rowles, achieved regional glory by taking the (then) Great Mills League Premier Division title, ahead of runners-up Torrington. Disappointingly, they were denied promotion to the Southern League as the ground failed to meet the grading requirements and there followed several lean seasons as the team disbanded. Under newly-elected Chairman Richard Davis, however, off the pitch, things were improving.

Terry Rowles returned to manage the club himself in 1995 and kept them in the spotlight by consistently finishing in the top three/four in the Great Mills/Screwfix League and an appearance in the FA Vase semi-final (losing to Clitheroe), but their ambitions of promotion and Southern League football were always thwarted by the continual success of Taunton and Tiverton

Town. It was considered very important to establish a sound working base, improve ground facilities and secure a long-term tenure on their Cossham Street ground.

In earlier years, the Roger Pullin / Richard Davis partnership had seen many improvements take place, with the installation of Conference-style floodlights and at the end of the 2003/04 season, the Cossham Street end of the ground was covered, together with new toilet blocks and social club improvements. Ex player Andy Black returned to the club as Manager in 1999 and guided the club to promotion to the Dr. Martens Southern League and three successful campaigns. The 2003/04 campaign did not go too well and just before Christmas, Black was replaced by Martyn Grimshaw. Towards the end of the campaign, Nigel Webb came in as his Assistant, but the club could only finish in 13th place, which was not high enough for the planned re-structuring of the Pyramid.

The Management duo made promotion their priority in 2004/05 and the club headed the table for most of the campaign, eventually taking the Division One West title with a 21 match unbeaten run. After 28 seasons at Western League level, the club had spent just five campaigns at Southern League level before reaching the Premier Division. In April/May 2005, Roger Pullin left the club and Mike Richardson took over as Chairman, with a new Board. As detailed at the start of this article Mangotsfield enjoyed life in the Southern League finishing most season's around mid table, but had struggled financially during the last few years.

Sometimes now referred to as "The Mangos", the 2020/21 campaign, started with Glyn Ashton, at the helm. He had previously been in charge of the U18s Floodlit Youth side, but took over as temporary Manager in 2019/20, after the sudden departure of Manager Ollie Price, and bought in almost his entire U18s squad. Glyn Ashton returned to his role of managing the U18/Reserve team for the 2021/22 season as Ray Johnston, along with assistant Terry Moore, took over the first team management role but Glyn returned to the hot seat following the departure of Ray and Terry following some disappointing performances and results. The club, however, were unable to "avoid the drop" finishing in 18th place in a league of 19 teams.

The summer of 2021/22 has been a busy one for the club as Chairman Mike Richardson has been replaced by Steve Brown, a new committee has been formed, and with a new commercial team in place the club are about to enter an exciting new era in it's history. A new management team, headed by John Allen, previously of toolstation outfit Keynsham Town, will be in charge for the coming season. A mix of experienced players, that John has bought in, along with the young players already at Mangotsfield should produce a team capable of competing well at this new level. The resurrection of the reserves team and introduction of an "A" side will also help to raise the profile of the club and give players the chance to progress.

HELLENIC LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION TABLE

Up to and including 4 March 2023

Pos	Team	Home											Away											Overall				
		P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS				
1	Cribbs	29	13	1	1	40	4	11	2	1	25	7	24	3	2	65	11	54	75									
2	Malvern Town	31	12	4	0	53	18	11	1	3	37	19	23	5	3	90	37	53	74									
3	Worcester Raiders	29	10	1	2	41	14	8	4	4	37	21	18	5	6	78	35	43	59									
4	Westfields	32	8	5	4	23	15	9	3	3	36	17	17	8	7	59	32	27	59									
5	Corsham Town	25	9	2	1	29	7	7	4	2	24	15	16	6	3	53	22	31	54									
6	Roman Glass St George	30	8	2	6	29	19	7	4	3	30	15	15	6	9	59	34	25	51									
7	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	29	7	6	4	29	27	7	1	4	18	11	14	7	8	47	38	9	49									
8	Hereford Pegasus	30	11	1	5	38	26	4	1	8	16	29	15	2	13	54	55	-1	47									
9	Brinscombe & Thrupp	29	7	2	6	34	23	4	4	6	27	25	11	6	12	61	48	13	39									
10	Wantage Town	31	4	3	7	22	23	6	4	7	32	32	10	7	14	54	55	-1	37									
11	Mangotfield United	30	5	2	8	23	31	6	1	8	24	29	11	3	16	47	60	-13	36									
12	Longlevens AFC	31	4	4	7	21	26	6	1	9	25	25	10	5	16	46	51	-5	35									
13	Shrivenham	31	4	1	11	20	42	6	3	6	17	33	10	4	17	37	75	-38	34									
14	Hereford Lads Club	32	8	0	8	25	33	2	3	11	17	32	10	3	19	42	65	-23	33									
15	Fairford Town	32	5	2	8	20	24	4	3	10	23	35	9	5	18	43	59	-16	32									
16	Thornbury Town	30	6	1	8	23	25	3	2	10	16	31	9	3	18	39	56	-17	30									
17	Lydney Town	29	3	3	7	18	30	5	3	8	18	38	8	6	15	36	68	-32	30									
18	Bradford Town	29	3	2	8	13	27	4	2	10	26	42	7	4	18	39	69	-30	25									
19	Chipping Sodbury Town	27	4	5	4	20	24	1	2	11	12	49	5	7	15	32	73	-41	22									
20	Tuffrey Rovers	28	2	3	9	18	38	3	2	9	16	34	5	5	18	34	72	-38	20									

Appearance information

**Up to and including Friday, 3 March 2023
(includes selected list of former players)**

Yeshaya Lomotey's goals against Wantage Town and Thornbury Town took him to four goals for the season, from fourteen appearances, of which he has started just three game, which is a fairly impressive strike rate. It is also way better than last season, when he scored just once, from eleven appearances; albeit with only one start during an injury restricted campaign.

So, overall a pretty impressive goals to starts ratio for Yesh, with five goals in four starts! Long may it continue...



Name	Apps	Goals	Name	Apps	Goals
Alder, Kieran	94	26	James, Brett	185	64
Anson, Shayne	71	4	James, Richard	125	40
Azubilla, Paul	21	1	Jones, Elliot	19	0
Barry, Jordan	4	0	Kent, Dominik	165	19
Beardsell, Jack	72	13	Lander, Daniel	20	0
Beasley, Daniel	20	4	Lewis, Mason	27	3
Bird, Ashley	66	5	Lomotey, Yeshaya	25	5
Birkett, Henry	76	6	Mace, Ryley	9	1
Bradley, Shayne	257	117	Maher-Goldsmith, Kian	1	0
Butler, Matt	5	1	Mann, Warren	495	83
Cornwall, Leone	70	4	McGuirk, Callum	34	0
Danes-Rutherford, Ellis	1	0	McNally, Laurie	10	0
Davies, Ashley	181	27	Merchant, Luke	70	0
Dobbins, Ryan	76	16	Middlecote, Martin	88	2
Driver-Dickerson, George	9	0	Nicholls, Scott	14	0
Evans, David	69	0	Perks, Christopher	92	0
Fallows, Dayton	2	0	Poole, Bradley	8	0
Ford, Mark	164	61	Pritchett, Mark	137	21
Foxwell, Marcus	302	32	Shutt, Joe	72	15
Geddes, Jacob	51	4	Shyamapant, Tomos	16	1
Griffith, Stuart	129	22	Smerdon, Noah	4	1
Hamilton, Courtney	178	6	Smith, Liam	41	1
Hands, Ben	1	0	Squires, Kieran	86	7
Haswell, Joey	11	2	Thomas, Peter	79	15
Haswell, Tristan	99	1	Tomkins, Lyndon	1	0
Hawkins, Luke	13	0	Walker, Harry	67	6
Herbert, Macaulay	245	9	Wallington, Lee	131	4
Hicks, Sammie	23	0	Wallington, Mark	220	29
Hill, Sam	120	8	White, Joel	108	4
Hoffland, Robin	4	0	Wright, Liam	124	3
Iddles, Harrison	7	0	Yussuf, Demilade	13	0

NB: The figures are correct for all league competitions from season 2007/08, when Tuffley Rovers returned to the County League (Step 7) and include all competitive games since the start of the 2013/14 season. There are some gaps in the information relating to cup games prior to the start of the 2013/14 campaign. This period is currently subject to a thorough review and there may be some variation to statistics in due course.

Statistics 2022/23

Competition

UHlsport Hellenic Premier Division, unless stated

FAC = FA Cup; FAV = FA Vase; GFA = GFA Challenge Trophy;

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Att Scorers

Jones, Elliot
Nicholls, Scott
Mann, Warren
Smerdon, Noah
Lander, Dan

2022		Att	Scorers	Jones, Elliot	Nicholls, Scott	Mann, Warren	Smerdon, Noah	Lander, Dan
03/Aug	7:45pm	Brimscombe & Thrupp	A	0-0	143	-		
06/Aug	3pm	Slimbridge	FAC	H	1-2	186	R Mace	
09/Aug	7:45pm	Malvern Town		H	1-3	124	R Dobbins	
13/Aug	3pm	Lydney Town		H	4-0	84	J Beardsell (2), M Lewis (2)	
17/Aug	7:45pm	Fairford Town		A	1-4	90	N Smerdon	
29/Aug	3pm	Longlevens		A	0-0	222	-	
03/Sep	3pm	Hereford Pegasus		A	1-4	50	M Butler	
13/Sep	7:45pm	Newent Town	WLFC	H	2-1	65	S Bradley (2)	
17/Sep	3pm	Thornbury Town		A	2-0	47	J Beardsell, D Kent	
24/Sep	3pm	Fleet Spurs	FAV	H	1-1*	74	S Bradley	
01/Oct	3pm	Hereford Lads Club		A	1-2	60	P Azubilla	
08/Oct	3pm	Cribbs FC		H	1-2	64	S Bradley	
11/Oct	7:45pm	Lydney Town	WLFC	A	4-0	77	J Haswell (2), D Kent, D Beasley	
15/Oct	3pm	Shrivenham		H	1-1	55	K Squires	
19/Oct	3pm	Worcester Raiders		A	0-5	178	-	
22/Oct	3pm	Hartpury University	FAV	A	0-1	67	-	
25/Oct	7:45pm	Fairford Town		H	2-4	127	R Dobbins, O.G.	
29/Oct	3pm	Roman Glass St. George		H	0-5	67	-	
01/Nov	7:45pm	Worcester Raiders		H	1-2	73	S Bradley	
05/Nov	3pm	Mangotsfield United		A	2-4	199	S Bradley, D Beasley	
12/Nov	3pm	Wantage Town		A	4-2	82	S Bradley (3), K Alder	
15/Nov	7:45pm	Hartpury University	GFA	H	3-2	62	R Dobbins, S Bradley (2)	
19/Nov	3pm	Meadow Park	BFCC	H	6-2	45	R Dobbins (3), W Mann (pen), K Alder, Y Lomotey	
22/Nov	7:45pm	Malvern Town	WLFC	A	1-9	104	M Lewis	
30/Nov	3pm	Royal Wootton Bassett Town		A	A-A	83	-	
03/Dec	12noon	Bradford Town		H	4-5	90	O.G., R Dobbins, K Squires, D Beasley	
06/Dec	7:30pm	Almondsbury FC	GFA	A	2-1	37	R Dobbins, Y Lomotey	
20/Dec	7:45pm	Hereford Pegasus		H	1-0	61	K Alder	
27/Dec	3pm	Longlevens		H	0-4	373	-	
2023								
10/Jan	7:45pm	Malvern Town	BFCC	H	0-1	65	-	
14/Jan	3pm	Roman Glass St. George		A	0-5	79	-	
27/Jan	7:45pm	Cribbs FC		A	0-5	90	-	
31/Jan	7:45pm	Shrivenham		A	0-1	68	-	
04/Feb	3pm	Corsham Town		H	0-2	73	-	
07/Feb	7:45pm	Royal Wootton Bassett Town		A	1-2	81	D Beasley	
11/Feb	3pm	Westfields		H	0-7	77	-	
18/Feb	3pm	Bradford Town		A	4-0	111	K Alder, M Herbert, M Pritchett, T Shyamapant	
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14/Mar	7:45pm	Lydney Town		A				
21/Mar	7:45pm	Corsham Town		A				
25/Mar	3pm	Hereford Lads Club		H				
28/Mar	7:45pm	Royal Wootton Bassett Town		H				
01/Apr	3pm	Malvern Town		A				
10/Apr	3pm	Chipping Sodbury Town		H				
15/Apr	3pm	Brimscombe & Thrupp		H				
18/Apr	7:45pm	Chipping Sodbury Town		A				
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* Tuffley Rovers won 4-2 on penalties

** Tuffley Rovers won 7-6 on penalties

TOTAL APPEARANCES	19	9	38	4	20
STARTS	19	7	32	4	17
SUBSTITUTE	0	2	1	0	3
UNUSED SUBSTITUTE	0	0	0	0	7

Goalscorers

Bradley, Shayne	11	O.G.	2
Dobbins, Ryan	8	Mace, Ryley	1
Beasley, Daniel	4	Smerdon, Noah	1
Alder, Kieran	4	Butler, Matt	1
Lomotey, Yeshaya	4	Azubilla, Paul	1
Lewis, Mason	3	Mann, Warren	1
Beardsell, Jack	3	Herbert, Macaulay	1
Haswell, Joey	2	Pritchett, Mark	1
Squires, Kieran	2	Shyamapant, Tomos	1
Kent, Dominik	2	Birkett, Henry	1



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Brad Poole

Goalkeeper

Fantastic keeper, who first played under Doug Foxwell in the County League promotion season in 2012/13, after being attached to Cheltenham Town in youth football, but has been unable to commit to first team football in the years that have followed, due to work commitments, and has made just four competitive appearances in a Rovers shirt. Now providing goalkeeping cover for the 2022/23 season.

Luke Merchant

Goalkeeper

Back at the club after a Hellenic League Premier Division title winning season at Bishops Cleeve. A great shot stopper, commanding presence and accomplished keeper, who is a fantastic addition to the squad after leaving at the end of the 2020/21 season. Now less than thirty appearances away from surpassing Bruce Perks' record number of appearances for a keeper at Step 7 and above.

Dan Lander

Defence

Returned in pre-season, having spent a short spell with the club a few seasons ago, without making a competitive appearance. Has returned with more experience and is a tall centre-half, who is strong, fierce in the tackle and decent in the air. He's also sensible in possession and knows his role in the side. A real competitor, who gives his all in every game.

Ryley Mace

Defence

After time served in the U18s and then Development Squad has started to feature in the first team. Plenty of potential, whether at full-back or in a more attacking role. Good going forward, comfortable on the ball and industrious player, who has a bright future if he can continue his progress in the next 12-18 months.

Macaulay Herbert

Defence

Now the second longest-serving member of the first team, 'Macca' came through our U18s and is a solid, dependable; an excellent defender who has been getting better with every season that passed. Has now made over 200 first team appearances but has only recently returned following a lengthy absence with a serious shoulder injury. Closing in on 250 competitive appearances for the club.

Ashley Davies

Defence

In his 3rd spell with the club. Has had spells away at Hardwicke, Shortwood United & Cinderford Town but returned briefly last and now raring to go in 2022/23! Was Neil Mustoe's 1st signing last season; an incredible coup. Brings class on the ball, a physical presence, leadership and a wonderful work ethic to the squad - his influence will be of huge value to the club.

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Mark Pritchett

Defence

Another player to have returned to the club this season, and another who tasted Hellenic League title winning success at Bishops Cleeve during his time away. Previously at Rovers as Player/Manager before stepping away from the role during pre-season in 2021/22. Now back at the club his father had great success at, offering a no nonsense, uncompromising, good old-fashioned performance in every game, whilst also offering a threat in the opposition box.

Warren Mann

Defence

Our longest serving player and has now made over 450 appearances at Step 7 and above, which is a record for the club. 'Wazza' may now lack pace in comparison to the winger who started with the club, but is hugely committed and massively experienced. Brings energy, passion and excellent technique; he's constantly involved in every game. Practical joker off the field; usually the opposition support's least favourite player!

Kieran Squires

Defence

Previously with the club from 2014/15 to 2017/18 but then spent time at Slimbridge, Longlevens and Hardwicke, before dropping down to play local league football. Returned to the club this season has proved a shrewd acquisition. Thunderous tackling, powerful in the air and has a terrific long-throw that could add a dimension to our play

Kian Maher-Goldsmith

Defence

Young defender, who has recently graduated to the first team squad and made his competitive debut at Royal Wotton Bassett Town. A good old-fashioned centre-back, who is brave, competitive and tough-tackling, but also sensible on the ball. A natural leader, who has captained the Development Squad regularly this season.

Sammie Hicks


Midfield

Signed in January to bolster the squad following Neil Mustoe's appointment as manager, on a dual registration agreement with Cinderford Town. Has now committed to the club for 2022/23. A super talented midfielder, now with experience at a higher level and just what we needed after a difficult season. Coming back from a series of injuries that have hampered his progress but a stellar signing, nonetheless.

Dominik Kent

Midfield

About to start his fifth season with the club, Dom was a product of Neil Mustoe's Gloucester City U18 squad and is a talented midfielder, who is good on the ball, industrious and quick across the ground but also incredibly tenacious, whether looking to retain possession or win the ball back. Has often sacrificed his natural attacking instinct to play in a deeper midfield role but still retains a healthy goals per game ratio.



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Callum McGuirk

Midfield

Signed from Longlevens, where he'd largely been used at full-back, he is a hard-working midfielder, who looks comfortable on the ball. Played academy football during his earlier years, including a spell at Bristol City. Previously spent time at Rovers, where he featured in our U18s squad. Will look to make an impact in 2022/23 but his versatility could also be an important asset.

Liam Smith

Midfield

Another player with Southern League experience. Calm in possession and possesses a good passing range, whilst also physically strong, will be looking to hold down a regular place in the side, after an injury hit campaign in 2021/22. Offers experience and capable of dropping into the back four when needed.

Henry Birkett

Midfield

Now in a 3rd (or 4th!) spell with Rovers, after a fairly nomadic life in Hellenic League & County League football. Made forty appearances for the first team over 7 years but returned during pre-season - could this be the season where he settles down to become the key player that we all believe he can be? Great energy, good passing ability, hard-working & can add goals.

Kieran Alder

Midfield

Recently returned to the club after spells with Cinderford Town, Bishops Cleeve and Worcester City. A gifted No.10, whose work rate is as noticeable as his talent on the ball. Scored once in every four games during his previous spell with the club and scored eight league goals for Cleeve in their title winning season in 2021/22. Previously part of Neil Mustoe's U18s side at Gloucester City and now reunited with him at Rovers.

Ryan Dobbins

Forward

Another returning player, who started out at the club's Stroud League sides, before a successful spell in the Reserves', followed by a prolific spell at County League side Gala Wilton. Moved back into Hellenic League football, playing for Cheltenham Saracens, before a return to Glevum Park this season. Has the potential to contribute goals, but his all-round game has improved immeasurably; he is adept at holding the ball up and bringing his team-mates into the game.

Harrison Iddles

Midfield

Livewire in the midfield, who offers a non-stop, high energy performance every time he appears in the team. Signed from Westfields at the end of 2022 and already a regular, who you're as likely to see tackling in our box as he is to be the furthest player forward in an attack. Was previously part of the highly successful U18s squad that Neil Mustoe and Ken Blackburn managed at Gloucester City.

Dan Beasley

Forward

Signing from Westfields, who looks to be a great acquisition. Strong, holds the ball up well, has an electric turn of pace and shows plenty of composure in front of goal. Injuries have stunted his progress since joining the club but another player with huge potential, if he can stay fit and get a regular run of games.

Tomos Shyamapant

Forward

Youngster who has been a consistent goalscorer for both the U18s and Development Squad over the past two seasons. Highly rated and a genuine prospect. Made his debut in the GFA Challenge Trophy last season and gained more experience as the season drew to a close. Natural finisher, who will be looking for more opportunities to make an impact this season. One for the future, for sure!

Shayne Bradley

Forward

Could this season see an Indian Summer for the club's leading goalscorer since our return to Step 7 football (and progression since)? 106 goals in 230 appearances were hugely valuable to our progress from County League football and Bradders still possesses the quality that saw him make four Premier League appearances, as well promotion success at Mansfield Town, before injury curtailed his professional career. Last appeared in a Rovers shirt during 2018/19 but now set for a return in 2022/23.

Yeshaya Lomotey

Forward

Powerful striker who joined in 2021/22 after spells at other local clubs, including Slimbridge and Cinderford Town. Struggled for fitness during his first season but showed his quality on the ball and packs a powerful shot that could be a potent weapon. Will be hoping to stay fit and if he does, will be looking to contribute a regular supply of goals.

Neil Mustoe

Manager

Appointed as first team manager in January and took the club away from relegation fears to a place of safety. Spent many years as a professional at Manchester United, Wigan Athletic, Cambridge United, Stevenage and Yeovil Town, before over 350 appearances for Gloucester City. Previous coaching experience with City before a spell away from the game until his appointment with The Rovers.

Ritchie Warden

Assistant Manager

Appointed as Assistant Manager in 2020, when Richard Cox took on the Caretaker Manager role, Ritchie is a UEFA B qualified coach who has experience from working at Cheltenham Town. Stayed on to become Neil Mustoe's assistant after Cox's resignation and is an important part of the management team.



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Grab a cup of tea something to eat, then spend the five minutes of your half-time break trying to answer these questions. As ever, there is a theme and today the questions or answers all relate to teams who play in claret and blue or players sporting their colours!

1. Pictured is the badge of Gzira United FC. In which country's league does this club wear their traditional claret and blue kit?



2. Three of the 1966 World Cup winning England squad were playing their club football in the claret and blue of West Ham United at the time. Can you name all three?

3. Can you name the English claret and blue wearing club, whose most recent managers have included Keith Hill, Neil Cox, Stuart McCall, Graham Alexander and Brian Laws?

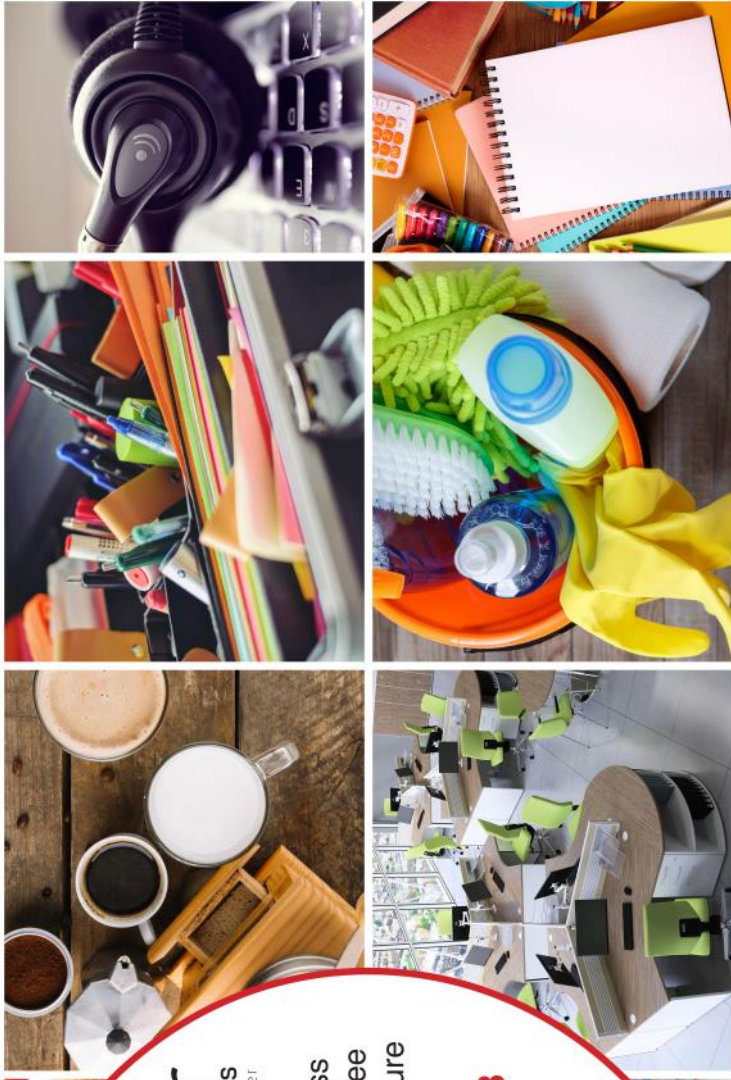
4. Roy Keane famously started out at Irish League side Cobh Ramblers, and here he is sporting their claret and blue kit, before he moved to Nottingham Forest in 1990 for £47,000. In which year did Keane make a British transfer fee record move to Manchester United and what was that fee?



5. There are three teams who have featured in the English Premier League – two present members and one currently in the Championship - who traditionally wear claret and blue. Can you name them and the former England striker who is currently with one, having played for all three clubs?



Quiz Answers:(1) Malta; (2) Bobby Moore, Geoff Hurst and Martin Peters; (3) He moved to United for £3.75M in 1993; (4) Scunthorpe United; (5) The player is Danny Ings, who has played for Aston Villa, West Ham United and Burnley.



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Glyn Ashton Manager. Has managed the first team in the previous two seasons and has managed the majority of the squad through the youth system up to U18's level. Glyn has stepped back in following the sudden departure of Phil Bater and has overseen a positive change in the fortunes of the team

Matt Curry Assistant Manager/Coach. Joined Mangotsfield as part of Glyn Ashton's coaching staff last season. This season has worked with both previous managers and following the re-appointment of Glyn the partnership has been renewed and Matt remains an important part of the management team. Has lots of experience at youth level as well so will get the most out of the younger players within the squad

Matt Doe Coach. Matt combines his first team role with coaching the Under 18's and Under 14's. Matt provides an important link between the youth and the senior sections and has a very promising coaching career ahead of him.

John House Kit Man. Part of the furniture at Mangotsfield. Played for "The field" as a youngster and has helped manage the team years ago. A stalwart of the club who seems to know someone at each and every club we play! A key member of the management team

Jordan Anstey a versatile player who normally plays at Centre Half but can play as Full Back or in Midfield. Jordan came up through the ranks at Keynsham and was a key player at that club. Jordan has been instrumental in the recent change of fortunes with the team with solid performances, and as a coach himself can contribute to the team in many other ways

Will Ashton Son of Manager Glyn and a product of our youth system and attended SGS until 2022. Has spent a large proportion of the season on loan at AEK Boco but recently been recalled to the squad. Always gives 110% and has impressed over the last few matches. A versatile left footer who can play at Full Back or in Midfield and has excellent delivery from set plays.

Jeffrey Barimah Youngster who is a product of the SGS college set up. A talented player who will only improve with experience. Another versatile left footer who can play at Full Back or in Midfield and has excellent pace and strength

Harvey Baker – An experienced player at this level who has played for The Field in the Southern League over the last few seasons. Despite living locally Harvey has had spells with Chipping Sodbury, Shepton Mallet and more recently Bradford Town, before returning to Mangotsfield recently. His experience will important in our remaining games

Joe Beardwell (Forward) Another new signing last season, Joe, Aka Breaders, is a local 20 year old Rendszer who attended Mangotsfield School. Joe has played for local club's Oldland Abbotonians and Wick. Currently on dual registration with AEK Boco.

Luke Bence is a product of our youth system and current SGS student. Luke has been playing for our U18s in our successful FA Youth Cup campaign. Luke is a strong and quick centre half who as spent a large proportion of the season on loan at Hallen, but recently been recalled to the squad by Glyn and has played an important role in the team

Matt Binding 22 year old defender who is a sports lecturer at SGS college. Played for "The Field" at Southern League level. Despite his young years he coaches some of our younger player as part of his full time job. Very quick centre half who's good in the air and can play out.

Jaydn Crosbie - Another local youngster who is still part of the SGS Football Programme. Talented striker who works tirelessly for the team. He is quick, has a great first touch, is good in the air has now added regular goals to his game. Made his debut with The Field in the Southern League last season.

Issac Flynn Another local youngster who has been with the club since the age of 12 and spent two years as part of the SGS Football Programme. A very quick attacking player with a powerful left foot who can play in wide areas as well as central.

Ben Ford Another product of our youth set up and currently part of the Bath College Football Programme where he has regularly been involved with Bath City first team. Can play in either full back positions or in midfield. Has a very promising future ahead.

Jakob Glover - Goalkeeper who made his debut for Mangotsfield's first team at just 16 years old. Has been involved with Mangotsfield United Youth set up since the age of 4 and is a Mango through and through. Also had two years as part of the SGS Football Programme. Has now made the number one jersey his own.

Harry Haughton is a 21 year old Central Midfielder who has played at Southampton and Yeovil Town Academies. Harry made his debut for "The Field" against Tavistock AFC in our FA Cup match in September 2020. Currently on loan to AEK Boco

Josh Haynes Striker who scored on his debut for the Mangos this season against Hereford Pegasus. has experience at this level.

Oli Jenkins is yet another youngster who attends SGS Football Programme and plays for our U18s squad. Has made a big impact this season playing as full back and in midfield, chipping in with a few important goals. Has a promising future in the game.

Kerem Karakus A strong and powerful striker with an eye for goal and great technique. Has played for our U18's and remains part of the SGS Football Programme. Currently gaining more experience with Stoke Gifford but has a big future with Mangotsfield.

Ashley Kendall – A strong and competitive central midfield player who can also play at Centre Back. Ash is local and has played for the club before. Has made a good impact since joining recently and his experience means he will play an important role in our remaining games

Bogdan Mara is a young Centre Half who is yet another product of our youth system and the SGS Football Programme. Talented defender who will only improve with experience. Has been playing regularly for both the U18s and first team this season and is current on loan at Stoke Gifford gaining valuable experience.

Tabu Minzamba – A dynamic midfield player who is currently studying at SGS University. Played for The Field in the Southern League and has had spells with Bath City and Highworth Town this season before returning to Mangotsfield in December. Covers the ground well and has a good passing range.

Kyrese Morrison – A quick and strong player who can play at full back, wing back or on the wing. Currently part of the SGS Football Programme. Played for The Field in the Southern League and has had spells with Bath City and Highworth Town this season before returning to Mangotsfield in December

Rohan Nelson - 18 year old who was released by Bristol City at the end of last season after spending 4 years with their youth academy. He looked a very promising signing but unfortunately broke his leg in a pre season friendly, but will hopefully be available before the end of the season.

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Simon Prangley - Experienced Welsh Midfielder who has joined us from Cwmbran Celtic. Slotted straight into the side and his experience is a key to developing our younger players. Has been playing more in a more advance role over recent games and is thriving in that position.

Harley Purnell - In his second spell at Mangotsfield, previously playing for the Mangos in 2011/12 making 34 appearances. The 33 year old central midfielder brings a wealth of experience to the club and as our captain is helping our younger players develop

Owen Ridler - Although one of our younger players Rids has been with the club the longest joining at the age of 4! A versatile player who operates mainly in central midfield, but can play a variety of the positions. Great close control and passing range and pops up with the odd goal or two!

Seb Scott – Another local lad who has played for the club since a young age and also had 2 years at SGS as part of the Football Programme. Seb is an attacker who can play in wide areas and centrally and has great technique and an eye for goal

Stuart Tovey has joined us from Bristol Manor Farm, A very experienced defender who has spent much of his career playing in the Southern League with Bristol Manor Farm, Paulton Rovers, Chippenham Town & Larkhall Athletic. A tough tackling defender and natural leader who helps guide our younger players.

Ollie Williams is the youngest player in the Mangotsfield first team squad. He is the captain of the U18s team in the Floodlight league and has shown lots of promise. Currently on loan at AEK Boco. We hope he will build on that experience and become a regular part of Mangos first team in future.

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Since those records began, we've played a couple of competitive fixtures on 7 March and look back at those, as well as selecting a few from around the date to reflect on our fortunes during this time of the year...

8 March 2008

Tuffley Rovers and Taverners both had a player dismissed in a scrappy game in the Gloucestershire County League.

Rovers almost took the lead early on, but Pete Thomas saw his header cleared off the line and it looked like the game had turned in their favour in the 35th minute, when Taverners were reduced to ten men. Adam Hacker gave Rovers the lead on 55 minutes, but minutes later he was sent off and both sides then played with ten men.

Taverners took advantage of Hacker's dismissal and levelled the score in the 75th minute, when Mark Harsant was left unmarked on the far post and he drove the ball home.

Rovers almost snatched a win, but Gary Cornwall's deflected shot on goal went just over the bar with four minutes remaining.

Squad: Mark Harris; Mark Patterson; Stephen Summerell; Ben Surman; Jon Corbett; Gary Cornwall; Mark Wallington; Peter Thomas; Adam Hacker; Oliver Everitt; Warren Mann. **Subs used:** Patrick Boyd; Lee Wallington; Marcus Foxwell.

7 March 2009

Tuffley Rovers returned from Taverners with a point after the two sides played out a six goal thriller in the Gloucestershire County League.

Rob Cook gave Rovers the lead, after he headed home a corner in the 17th and it looked like the visitors would go into the interval with a lead, only for Taverners to draw level on 44 minutes when Stuart Lawrence headed home.



There was a flurry of late goals that saw the game ebb and flow, the first coming from Taverners Kris Pritlove, who volleyed home from the edge of the box, in the 73rd minute. Pete Thomas headed Rovers level six minutes later, before Taverners went ahead again when Lawrence was brought down in the box and Russell Chamberlain netted from the spot.

Six minutes from time, the game turned again, as Rovers' Stuart Griffith saw his shot from the edge of the box find its way into the bottom corner.

Squad: Adam Bennett; Lee Wallington; Daniel Gillespie; Ben Surman; Martin Middlecote; Richard Stevenson; Mark Wallington; Stuart Griffith; Peter Thomas; Robert Cook; Warren Mann. **Subs used:** Patrick Boyd; Christopher Lee; Marcus Foxwell.

6 March 2013

Goals from Kieran Tracey and Nathen King helped Tuffley Rovers secure a point against DRG

Frenchay in a midweek Gloucestershire County League game at Glevum Park but it was probably a case of two points dropped for Doug Foxwell's side.

The visitors arrived at Rovers' home struggling near the foot of the table, with just 18 points, from 17 games, while Rovers headed the table with 48 points from 21 games, but goals from Ollie Clarke and Joe Galsworthy matched the efforts from Tracey and King, so the points were shared with the score 2-2 at 90 minutes.

Squad: Christopher Perks; Marcus Foxwell; Marcus Salter; Ashley Davies; Richard James; Leone Cornwall; Mark Wallington; Kieran Tracy; Warren Mann; John Pratt; Courtney Hamilton. **Subs used:** Nathen King; Stuart Griffith.

7 March 2015

Tuffley Rovers maintained their UHlsport Hellenic League, Division One (West) title challenge up, despite a below par performance, as they returned from New College Swindon with a 2-0 win.

Stuart Griffith's goal on 14 minutes gave Rovers the opening goal that their opening play deserved, as the midfielder – making his first start in his preferred central midfield role since fracturing his jaw three months earlier – collected Warren Mann's pass before firing a powerful shot low into the hosts' net.

On 25 minutes it looked like Rovers were on course to record a vital win, as Brett James capitalised on a loose pass by the Academy midfielder and fired a first time shot beyond the keeper, to make it 2-0; a score that remained until the interval.

A lacklustre second half, with the best chance going to New College, only for Aaron Taylor to pull off a terrific save, meant there were a few nervy moments, but Warren Evans' side held out to record a 2-0 win, but more importantly collect three league points.

Squad: Aaron Taylor; Marcus Foxwell; Kieran Squires; Sam Drew; Macaulay Herbert; Stuart Griffith; Warren Mann; Ashley Davies; Shayne Bradley; Mark Ford; Brett James. **Subs used:** Jordan Fletcher.

9 March 2019

League-leaders Brimscombe arrived at Glevum Park looking to continue their title challenge, but a single goal settled this match in the hosts' favour thanks to a heroic defensive performance.

Luke Merchant, Macaulay Herbert and Joel White were the catalysts for the victory, which was ultimately secured thanks to Jake Rhodes' first-half goal, after he poked the ball home from close range, having been played in by Kieran Alder. That goal was ultimately the difference between the two teams, as Rovers continued their battle to move away from the relegation places, and their visitors were left to rue a defeat that could seriously damage their title ambitions.



Squad: Luke Merchant; Luke Payne; Brad Loveridge; Joel White; Macaulay Herbert; Paul Carter; Kieran Alder; Tyreece Briscoe; Will Dawes; Jake Rhodes; Warren Mann. **Subs used:** Henry Birkett; Dominik Kent; Brett James.



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Harrison Iddles	6
Henry Birkett	7
Ashley Davies	8
Ryan Dobbins	9
Yeshaya Lomotey	10
Tomos Shyamapant	11
Daniel Lander	12
Callum McGuirk	14
Dominik Kent	15
Ryley Mace	16
Kieran Squires	17

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John House (Kit Man)



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Fluorescent Yellow shirts; Black shorts; Yellow socks (GK: Orange).

Jakob Glover
Stuart Tovey
Jordan Anstey
Oli Jenkins
Luke Bence
Matt Binding
Kyreese Morrison
Harley Purnell ©
Jaydn Crosbie
Simon Prangley
Will Ashton
Nathan Goodwill-Worrell
Isaac Flynn
Kerem Karakus
Ashley Kendall
Jack McCormack

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